

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2025 Legislative Session

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Identifier: SB089-DCCED-CBPL-02-14-25
 Title: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SCOPE OF PRACTICE
 Sponsor: TOBIN
 Requester: (S) HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
 Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
 Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
 OMB Component Number: 2360

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2026 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2026 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2025) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/26

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation would allow physician assistants (PAs) who have obtained 4,000 hours of postgraduate clinical experience under a collaborating agreement with a physician to operate without physician supervision in the state. Additionally, it would allow the State Medical Board to set the scope of practice for PAs in regulation. It would also allow the board to set requirements for a PA to practice under a new specialty, including the additional hours of postgraduate clinical experience required in that specialty, and the methods of periodic assessment that a collaborating physician can use to evaluate a PA.

The Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing does not anticipate fiscal impact from this legislation.

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services, fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF). Per AS 08.01.065, licensing fees for each occupation are set so the total amount of revenue collected approximately equals the occupation's actual regulatory costs.